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Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT for the patent application:

Application No.

10/078.816

Applicant(s)

Joseph R. Diehl et al.

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Title

Absorbent Article Having a Dehydration Indicator

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In response to the Office Action mailed on 28 May 2004, further examination and reconsideration is hereby respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.